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English

**Creator**

Henkel, Siram Peter, 1809-1879

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## **Biographical Information:**

Siram Peter Henkel was the son of Dr. Solomon Henkel (1777-1847) and Rebecca Miller and the brother of Dr. Samuel Godfrey, Solomon D., Dr. Solon Paul Charles and Dr. Silon A. Henkel.

Siram Peter Henkel (1809-1879) married June 30, 1835 to Margaret Koiner (1820-1899) had 12 children at Plains Mill, Rockingham County.

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## **Scope and Contents**

Daybook, 1835-1849, kept by Siram Peter Henkel for Solomon Henkel at Plains Mill Store, Rockingham County, Va. Includes records of purchases, and records of farm workers, their tasks and their reasons for missing work. Also includes Henkel's purchases for himself and his family.

## **Related Materials:**

See Henkel Family Papers ( Mss. 39.1 H38)

## **Keywords**

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## Daybook Worker Index

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### Scope and Contents

This is not an index to all workers -- it indexes workers hired by the month. Name of worker - Last name  
Name of worker - First Name Name of worker - Middle Name Gender Race Information re: the workers  
Tidlow Thomas Sluss David Loore Jacob Campbell Ann Female Gully James Sluss Andrew Muster Webb  
Noah Decker Christian Campbell Sarah Female Fansler Samuel Muster Colber George Myers Female Price  
Noah Shomo John Clatterbuck Wesley Thomas Thornton Shomo Henry Fletcher William Kline David Hively  
John Seagle Baltzer Marshall John Veaney Samuel Carter Landon Petit William Southern John Carter  
Rachel Female Probably Landon's daughter Carter Mary sister went home after dinner Middleton,  
Benjamin Carter Joseph son of Landon Good Noah McGarvey John Winkler Barbara Female Stoneberger  
George Renner George Durham Abner Fairburns Robert Long Jacob muster Washington Joseph William  
McDaniel Learin Dodson William Williams Alexander Bodel William Wittig Ulrich Siegal Henry Steffey John  
Barnett Christian Rucker William Mouser Jacob Tetchstone John Shand Joseph Adamson Simon Carter  
Francis Watkins John son William Silvius William Silvius Isaac Thomas Daniel Shomo John Sommers  
William Roller John Roller William Siebert John quit to work in kitchen Wooden William Aleshire Henry  
Funk David Carter Mary Female house with sister Susan Linebough Salena Female Moore Rebecca  
Winkler Michael Reeves Thomas Ford John North a man of color p. 210 Helbert Levi Jack a man of color p.  
216 Backman Adam Almond Edward Almond William Smith Isaac McGee Angus Sinkel Christopher Kube  
George Riley James Whitmire Christian Tend mill on thirds. Moved family into Kline House Winkler  
Margaret Female Niemiller Henry Buissel Celliaeus Peter Harrison Michael Quit. Intends to take holyday  
Perry David 18 years old p. 249 Hitt John Snider John Moore Susan Female Tranbond Susan Female  
weaver Mima Female black housework Pearson Benjamin has brother Daniel p. 318 Harrison Peter man  
of color Sinkel Christopher carpenter Good Noah Decker John Kook William Starks Charles Shomo William  
H. Sockman Christian Isaac Good William H. Riley John at mothers w Winkler Barbara Halterman William  
muster Ralls Catherine & brother Coiner Silas Dove Alfred muster Cushman Sebilias Fall of 1840. We sent  
her to school nine months. Veaney Martha Ellis free woman of color at her mothers for her clothes on old  
Coley (horse) Sprinkle John work in smith's shop-linament for his leg, Fridley Phoebe bonnet at fathers  
Newman Charlotte a woman of color Harrison Peter man of color Pearson Benjamin Jonston Caroline  
woman of color Frank David Sprinkle at Spartapolis and his grandfathers Pearson Daniel helped by  
brother Silas and Benjamin and sisters son. Johnston . Caroline in Page County at her mothers. Wild Peter  
at Peter Minicks to see brother. Offman Frederick Forestville Buchanan William Francis [sic] small girl of  
color in town at her aunts Irishwiller Samuel could be Empswiller Strickler James Wheeler Morgan Wise  
Reuben Silvius Jacob Alger Isaac general muster Harrison Francis [sic] the black girl Fristo Thomas from  
Warren County Prince a black man

## Daybook Siram P. Henkel Accounts

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### Scope and Contents

These pages are those in which the accounts of Siram P. Henkel himself appear -- items he is buying for  
his family or himself. Pages with Siram P. Henkel's Accounts 19 27 35 56 70 84 98 112 124 138 154 160  
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## Daybook Notes Index

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### Scope and Contents

This is an index to some of the contents of the daybook. It is not a complete index. Page Note 5-12 from  
the town books, food, thread, Spanish indigo, coffee, butcher knife, 1 German and 1 English almanac,  
father-in-law is Jacob Coiner, combs, looking glass for maid's room, book titles, 35 Virginia Housewife, 8  
day clock made in Bristol, Connecticut 36 cash to pay for seeing animal show 37 Ascension Day 42 May  
31, 1836, water into cellar Patent gimlet 64 silver sand 65 Mr. Smith singing school Andrew Crist paid in  
full in pots 69 silver-plated pencil 71 Andrew Sluss lost half a day's work this afternoon, the day of the  
presidential election. He went to town to try to sell his [vote]. 75 Lost one days work . . . Went along with  
Nicholas Myers to Harrisonburg for his marriage license bleeding nose, go to brothers Daniel 81 two hole  
mousetrap 87 Second Christmas day 88-89 David Spitzer and Ephraim Woods carpenters 94 Threshing  
machine injury 101 Horse named Davy Crockett 107 John Bell apprentice 113 2 gallons whiskey to treat

company on day of parade Thornton Thomas 115 general muster 118 white Monday Gully to Harrisonburg for marriage license; half day wedding day 127 attending burial of Gerard A. Henkel Nicholas Myers wife housework 129 mowing in orchard 133 Methodist meeting house lot 136 Strickler field 139 Kline's bottom and field near 142 Timothy bottom and meadow 146 upper riffle and second riffle S. G. Henkels land near Steffey's 147 tail race, Susan Myers quit work by the week this morning she now boards with us Widow Stirewalts and mended the roof old bark house 149 Balter Seagle attending mill and sawmill 152 chicken yard, upper barn yard Margaret Henkel Prunello shoes 155 Kline hill field on the Moffett line fence 157 apprentice Thornton Thomas to 1 gallon apple brandy to treat the company at mustering time. 160 cake cutter with brass wheel 164 Widow Phillips sheep stable Jacob McDaniel made bookcases and sleigh 167 Plains Schoolhouse 168 smoke and springhouse 169 Mount Jackson at general muster 171 Henkels son Lewis 179 Ulrich Wittig moved into the old Kline House 184 Condemned flour 191 boots, slippers & shoes for Silvius cash for wife when she went to Augusta 192 Greens Patent Hay Straw and Stalk Cutter 194 Old Sluss Place 196 Quit to work on turnpike White Monday 198 Field near Loore's 202 Susan Tranbond -- weaver 204 Elizabeth Dingeldine came to the plains on last Saturday evening July 20, 1839 206 Baltier Siegel started this day to Tennessee. He passed the Plains at 4:00 P. M. His brother Henry and children were also in company. Also another German girl. 208 William Sommers on a spree (numerous mentions of his sprees throughout book) 212 Fell on frozen snow at corner of wood shed 215 rough field 218 at Mr. Kooks at a quilting battalion muster 220 large circus show 227 Mr. Thomas 232 In town to hear William Smith's speech 235 John Stiffey moved out of the Kline house. He went to a house near Cratzers spring on the middle road Dunkard meeting 240 over the mountain at the election at her grandfathers for liney 242 pig -- pay it in a rocking chair 243 Rebecca Moore at S. G. Henkels 245 Rebecca Moore at uncle Noah Spritzere 246 Elias Tussing moved into the joiner shop -- live rent-free for one year 251 sawmill book circus show 254 old widow Tranbond's burial Andrew Frank's wedding Henry Moffitt's burial camp meeting William Sommers to Page County with two Mr. Griffy's. 256 William Sommers brother Noah 257 William Sommers took new handle to apple gatherers 257 David Perry at uncle Abraham Holtzinger's burial (may be Holsinger) 259 Mary Carter's sister Rachel's wedding 264 Mr. Tussig 265 Shooting Match 267 general muster at Turbytown Siram in Hardy County a shooting and pitching brother Solomons 269 a fishing (there were five nets) 277 Pennybackers sale 280 land warrant surveying gap land and Overby land surveyor Elias Horn boots for son Lewis Philip and son Samuel Augustus 282 German silver table spoons 282 brother S. G. H. 286 Repairing Overly house 288 One gallon of whiskey to treat the hands 291 Lost 2 days work Good Friday and Easter Monday 293 Ascension Day 294 Palm Leaf Hat (numerous mentions of these in book for Henkel men) 295 Henry Sippel at Woodstock for marriage license Mr. Bachman's 296 Sippel marriage Sippel moved into cooper's house on Thursday evening June 22, 1843. He is to pay \$1 per month he is to have nothing but the two rooms. 304 In town to see about sending money to Buckhart 304A Alfred Dove started to Baltimore with 52 head of cattle for Daniel Zirkle 308 Mima (a black woman) commenced work this morning at the Plains at housework. 312 at Mr. Norman's at spinning 318 Brother Silon's burial 318 Peter Harrison a man of color 326 Henry Moring at the "Grand Rally of the Democrats of the Tenth Legion"; 328 Apron bought of John S. Miller in Winchester 335 Herman H. Moring moved to the cooper's house this evening, he is to pay \$1 per month for use of house without garden 336 Overby's deed son Luther shingle nails for Plain's schoolhouse 337 Put in stove for family 340 Cash paid in Richmond for land office Treasury warrant shoes for Margaret 346 scissor chains Pearson W. Oberby 349 Mustering at Mr. Mitchell's chicken yard wall 352 Turleytown muster 356 secretary and bookcase & compass bought at Joseph Bear's sale 359 town at celebration (July 4) 361-362 land warrant 365 circus show 368 walnut wardrobe made by Jonathan Wolfenbarger see p. 377 369 animal show 370 widow Shirewalt borrowed plank for floor to her back porch 372 Crim's sale 374 Dunkard meeting house 376 David Frank at uncles 378 son Lewis went to Academy to Joseph salyards entries for Ambrose Henkel (usually planks and elsewhere in book) 382 daughter Rebecca Delilah 388 we were all in town in the sleigh (Siram plus 4 workers) 389 sale at Jonas Bodel's 390 Female Seminary 392 James G. Chapman moved to coopers house. He is to attend to the milling, find his board, truck patch, garden 396 Dunkard Meeting House 399 July 4, 1846 celebration 412 Orkney Springs 423 Widow Catharine Hupp 424 took off half days work. He took Andrew Frank his new coffee pot and 2 pairs of new shoes along 425 P 436 3 yards ribbon got at A. Henkel & Sons. Last payment on land to Pearson W. Overby 437 tailor in Forrestville 442 at Jacob Minicks and at Rader's church 454 Rev. Jacob Stirewalt 455 Rev. Ambrose Henkel 457 shed over the cider press and making new water wheel. 466 up to Mr. Bach in company of Ernest Boerner Benjamin P Miller making large walnut table. 467 digging at foundation of mill 468 tuition from Lewis and Samuel with John Linebaugh 471 Last week she spun for herself. 473 tending masons 479 Walkers Dictionary 484 Subscription for Academy Fence 486 Sawed gateposts Fencing locust posts 488 large locust cill (sill) at water wall hunting locust timber on Foland land hunting locust timber on Foland Lane 495 new mill 510 son John Pd. To Emmanuel Wilkins for tuition of two scholars. 511 circus show 514 pitman 521 Jacob Silvius lost two days work, he was at his brother's burial. 524 Mt. Pleasant Meeting House at the Association. 526 Lutheran Church in New Market. 529 daughter Rebecca Delilah 537 Putting up a coal pit.